

To: Macler, Bruce[Macler.Bruce@epa.gov]
From: Albright, David
Sent: Fri 7/15/2016 3:31:09 PM
Subject: Re: Inquiry to EPA

Thanks. Bruce. My original message to her, per your input, also indicated that the practice is regulated by the state and not EPA. She seems to have focused on the part of my reply that said we reviewed the data and had not identified concerns. So she is coming to us for the data.

Anyway, I appreciate you reaching out to her.

Thanks,

David

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 15, 2016, at 7:56 AM, Macler, Bruce <Macler.Bruce@epa.gov> wrote:

FYI

From: Macler, Bruce
Sent: Thursday, July 14, 2016 4:17 PM
To: 'glopez0433@msn.com' <Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy >
Subject: FW: Inquiry to EPA

Hi Ms. Lopez,

I am happy to talk to you about your concerns for the use of produced water for agricultural irrigation. You can call me, or if you send me your phone number, I will call you.

However, USEPA does not regulate the use of groundwater for crop irrigation. That is regulated by the California State Water Resources Control Board. They require water testing and maintain the results.

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Solutions, not complaints...

From: Geri Lopez [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]
Sent: Thursday, July 14, 2016 1:54 PM
To: Albright, David <Albright.David@epa.gov>; theresa.eisenman@fda.hhs.gov
Subject: RE: Inquiry to EPA

Hello David,

I am following up my request to receive the water test reports you reference below.
Please submit, or let me know how i can obtain a copy.
Also the type of tests conducted and what you check for?

Theresa, I haven't had a response from you and forwarding email inquiry to Dr. Califf. This concerns me the Food and Drug Administration is not seeking a report of the water tests which feeds vegetables and fruits from Fracking Water. There are over 20 highly toxic chemicals contained in the water. This can be another Flint Michigan.

I am not making much traction with you two. Who from your staff can aide with my request?

Kind Regards
Geri

From: [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy]
To: albright.david@epa.gov; theresa.eisenman@fda.hhs.gov; fsbaker@ap.org; amarquez@ap.org
Subject: RE: Inquiry to EPA
Date: Thu, 7 Jul 2016 04:26:25 +0000

Hello David,

Thank you for your reply.

Typically water that is supplied to the public is available to see the water test reports. Can you please send me the reports? Open summary reports will ease my mind as well as the reports i receive from the Food Watch.org.

Also, are these reports which are tested by the EPA available to the public each month or quarter? How often is it tested?

I would like to have an independent water testing of these oilfield extractions that are used to water farmers vegetables which is sold to the public for human consumption.

How do i proceed to get the water tested? To be fair we can have an independent study and the media can post the results.

Ms. Eisenman,

How do i get these vegetables that are watered with Chevron chemicals labeled in the stores that the public can make a choice of which fruit and vegetables they want to select?

Kind Regards
Geri

From: Albright.David@epa.gov
To: **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**
Subject: Inquiry to EPA
Date: Tue, 5 Jul 2016 22:43:25 +0000

July 5, 2016

Geri Lopez

Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

Dear Ms. Lopez,

Thank you for your email message of June 20, 2016 to USEPA Administrator Gina McCarthy regarding the re-use of produced water - water which is produced as

petroleum hydrocarbons are extracted from the subsurface. EPA is aware of the use of produced water from oilfield extraction operations in Oildale, Kern County, California for agricultural irrigation. The use of this water is regulated by California's State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), and the water is required to be tested for a variety of chemicals to ensure that there will not be any negative impacts associated with its use. As EPA is a member of the Board's Food Safety Expert Panel, EPA Region 9 staff have reviewed the water quality data for this water, and we have not identified any concerns to date.

Regarding injection of produced water in the basin, EPA has been working closely with senior officials with the Department of Conservation, the Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR), the SWRQB and the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) to review the state's implementation of the Underground Injection Control (UIC) program. Protecting public health and ensuring the safety of our nation's drinking water is among the highest priorities for the EPA. EPA will continue to oversee California's progress in meeting its compliance goals and to ensure that the state's oil and gas UIC program meets federal requirements and is protective of underground drinking water sources.

I hope that you find this information helpful.

Sincerely,

David Albright

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